

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

JANUARY 23, 1860.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. SAULSBURY submitted the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of John Pickell, late a lieutenant in the United States army, praying a pension from the date of his resignation, August 5, 1838, to the time he was placed upon the pension rolls, (November 1, 1857,) beg leave to report:

That under a special act, approved March 2, 1859, the petitioner was granted a pension at the rate of \$17 per month—the amount fixed by law for his rank (1st lieutenant) and his disability, commencing on the 1st November, 1857, the date of the completion of his testimony.

His prayer for pension for the period anterior to the completion of his proofs before the committee is opposed to the provisions of the general statute in such cases, and to the uniform practice of the Pension Office and of your committee.

The committee therefore recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be denied.

